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Patrick Dana Simpson et al.

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION**

In response to the Office action dated February 5, 2004, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

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